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Derek Bell

MOTORSPORTS SUMMARY

- 1964 - Started racing in Lotus 7, won his first race at Goodwood!
- 1965 - Raced F3 in Lotus Ford with several wins
- 1966 - Raced F3 Lotus 41 in Europe with mixed success but gained invaluable experience
- 1967 - Raced in F3 Brabham Ford with many wins
- 1968 - Raced in F2 Brabham Ford but after some fine showings tested by Ferrari...pole position at Monza in first race
- 1968/69 - Factory Driver for Ferrari in F2 and F1 Grand Prix's
- 1975 - Le Mans 24 Hour Winner
- 1981 - Le Mans 24 Hour Winner
- 1982 - Le Mans 24 Hour Winner
- 1982 - British Guild of Motoring Writers' Driver of the Year
- 1984 - BRDC Gold Star Winner
- 1985 - World Sports Car Champion
- 1985 - RAC Plaque d'Honneur
- 1985 - British Guild of Motoring Writers' Driver of the Year
- 1986 - World Sports Car Champion
- 1986 - Le Mans 24 Hour Winner
- 1986 - Daytona 24 Hour Winner
- 1986 - Awarded MBE by the Queen for services to Motor Racing-
- 1986 - BRDC Gold Star Winner
- 1987 - Le Mans 24 Hour Winner
- 1987 - Daytona 24 Hour Winner
- 1987 - BRDC Gold Star Winner
- 1989 - Daytona 24 Hour Winner
- 1995 - Most memorable Le Mans moment - Finishing third with son Justin in a McLaren
- 1997 - Commentator for ESPN on F1 Racing in the USA
- 1998 - Racing Sports cars in the USA
- 1998 - Voted the Greatest Sportscar Driver in the last 50 years in a poll by Silverstone Circuits
- 1998 - Received the Spirit of Goodwood award
- 1998 - Commentator for Foxsports Net on F1 Racing in the USA
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- 2000 - Raced for Speedvision in the USA in Audi S4 with Champion Racing
- 2001 - Raced for Speed Channel in Audi S4 with Champion Racing Under contract to Bentley Motor Cars as Consultant and Test Driver
- 2002 - Raced for Speed Channel in Audi S4 with Champion Racing Under contract to Bentley Motor Cars
- 2002 - Made an Honorary Citizen of the City of Le Mans, France
- 2002 - Honored by the ACO with the Spirit of 'Le Mans Award'
- 2003 - Under contract to Bentley Motor Cars Contested the 24 Hrs of Daytona with son Justin in a Corvette
- 2003 - He was honored by the RRDC of the USA at Daytona when Bobby Rahal presented him with the Phil Hill Outstanding Achievement Award.
- 2003 - Finished 2nd in a Daytona Cobra at Monterey Classic
- 2003 - Finished 2nd in a Jaguar Saloon car at Goodwood
- 2003 - Drove Le Mans Bentley for circa 1000 miles testing in -----Spain and France during October.
- 2003 - In a poll by a panel of top World Motoring journalists selecting the 20 Greatest Sports Car Drivers

ever for Motorsport magazine, Derek was voted in position #4 behind Ickx, Moss and Rodriguez

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